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Weekly Scup Quota Report (No. 31)

Scup Landings and Commercial Quota (Pounds) for Summer Quota Period (May-Oct 1999).

State	Late Entries	Week Ending 07-AUG-99	Period Cumulative Total (to date)	1999 Summer Quota	Percent Landed
ME	0	0	59		
NH	0	0	0		
MA	-657	0	467,299		
RI	53	5,970	376,191		
CT	0	2,934	24,825		
NY	0	255	176,415		
NJ	0	0	1,174		
DE	0	0	0		
MD	0	0	1		
VA	0	0	35		
NC	0	0	0		
Total	-604	9,159	1,045,999	986,993	106

Notes:

Effective at 0001 h on June 28, 1999, fishing vessels with a federal permit may no longer land scup.

For week ending August 7, 1999, 174 dealers held a federal scup permit. Of those 174 dealers, 137 (79%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, they were not included in these calculations.

Negative late entries are the result of corrections to the database.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Scup

State/ Commonwealth	Closure status	Trip/Possession Limits (pounds)	Other Provisions/ Pending Changes	State Contact
Maine	Federal			Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire	Federal			603-868-1095
Massachusetts	Federal		Effective 0001 h on 6/28/99, the scup fishery will be closed to holders of state permits.	Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island	Federal		Effective 7/16/99, the possession limit of scup from floating fish traps is 100 lbs per day. This is a by-catch allowance.	Richard Sisson 401-789-3094
Connecticut	Federal	Effective 8/15/99 until 8/31/99 or until 85% of the CT scup has been landed, the possession limit for scup will increase from 100 lbs to 200 lbs for commercial hook, pound net, and gillnet, and increase from 500 lbs to 1,000 lbs for bottom trawl and fish pot fisheries. A limit of 10 fish for the lobster pot fishery will remain in place.	Effective 6/28/99 the possession limit for scup in the commercial fishery will be zero pounds for holders of federal scup permits. Federal scup permit holders are prohibited from landing scup at CT ports or from fishing in CT waters.	Deb Shake 860-434-6043
New York	Federal	200 lb trip limit	Effective 0001 hrs on 5/30/99	John Mason 516-444-0453
New Jersey	Federal			Tom McCloy 609-292-2083
Delaware	Federal			Rick Cole 302-739-4782
Maryland	Federal			Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia	Federal		Effective 0001 h on 06/28/99, no vessel entering or harvesting from Virginia waters may possess any scup for commercial purposes.	Ryan Cool 757-247-8067
North Carolina	Federal			Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021